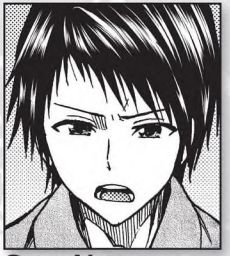
FROM THE NEW WORLD
6
Story by Yusuke Kishi
Art by Toru Oikawa

FROM THE NEW WORLD
6
Story by Yusuke Kishi
Art by Toru Oikawa

Squealer
A savvy Morph Rat. Prolocutor turned Representative of the Robber Fly colony. Revolts against humans and plans to eradicate them.

The story thus far...
Squealer's ace in the hole was the Fiend. Saki and Satoru, who survived an encounter with the Fiend, met Sho and Haruka and made their way to Lady Tomiko. However, knowing her death to be near, Tomiko entrusted the town's future to Saki before making a futile last stand against the Fiend. Shisei, the strongest magick user, cornered the Fiend with the Cats of Impurity but was defeated. The Fiend turned out to be Maria's child, and Squealer's master plan to be the brainwashing of human children and eventual world domination. Saki and the others fell deeper into despair, but a letter from her mother told of a weapon that can kill the Fiend, the Psycho Buster. With this knowledge, they departed for Tokyo!



Sho Niimi
A first year in the Holistic Class. Constantly insults Haruka, his childhood friend, but his true feelings are...

Haruka Sakai
A first year in the Holistic Class. Was once attacked by Dupe Cats after being targeted for disposal.

Fiend
A magick user called "Messiah" by the Morph Rats. Revealed to be Maria and Mamoru's child.

Kiromaru
Former commander-in-chief of the Giant Hornet colony whose forces were wiped out by the Robber Flies.

Satoru Asahina
A childhood friend of Saki, he was in her grade at Harmony Academy and the Holistic Class. Having done well in school, he now experiments with selective breeding and genetics at the Saddharma Farm.

Saki Watanabe
In addition to an unusually stout mind, she can repair her own DNA. At age 26, others see her as a future leader. She works at the town's health center's non-humans section and observes Morph Rats in the field.

Mamoru Ito
Artistically talented and quiet. Escaped with his beloved Maria in order to protect her.

Maria Akizuki
Best friends with Saki. Pretty with a strong will. Targeted for disposal, she skipped town.

Shun Aonuma
A prodigy with whom Saki was mutually enamored. As a Karma Demon he left this world.

Reiko Amano
Disposed of via Cats of Impurity because she was unable to control her magick.

CHARACTERS

FROM THE NEW WORLD

PROFILES

CONTENTS

20

FORMATIONS

5

21

A SNAKE IN ONE'S BOSOM

53

22

SACRIFICE

99

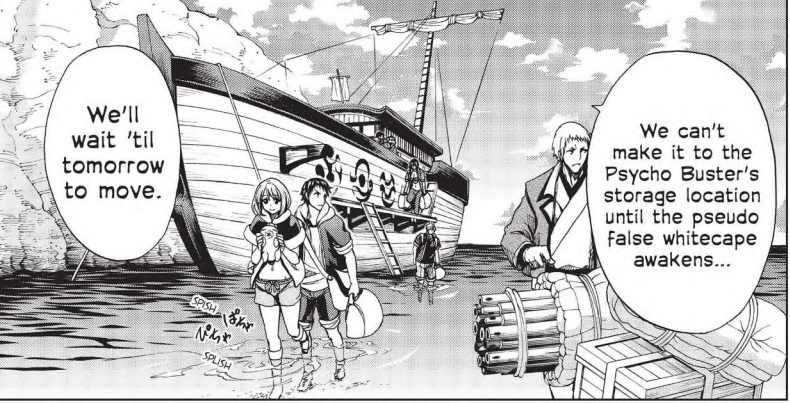
23

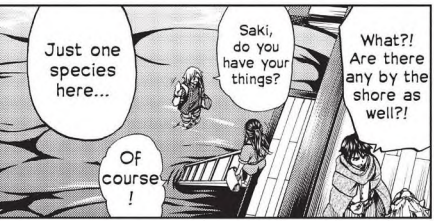
DUTY

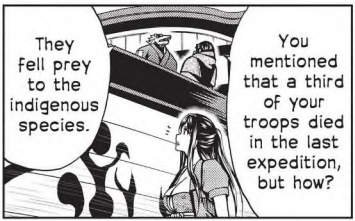
141

TOKYO— ONCE THE CAPITAL OF JAPAN,
IT FELL FOLLOWING THE PAST CIVILIZATION'S COLLAPSE AND IS NOW SAID TO BE A CORRUPTED LAND...
The ground above is arid, while underground lies a vast space left behind by the Past Civilization.
Many vicious creatures of extreme evolutionary lineage live there.
Tokyo is not Hell...
as long as one avoids the under-ground!

Chapter 20 Formations

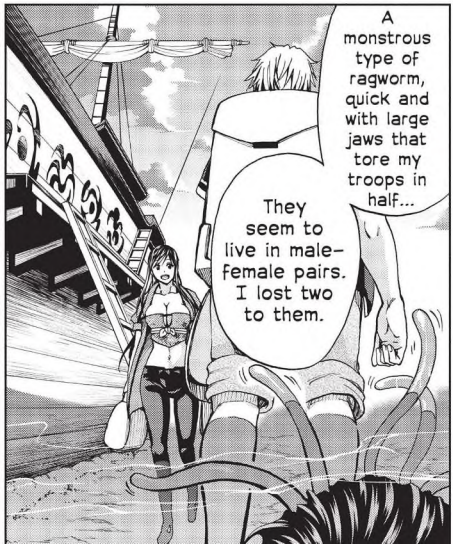

We'll wait 'til tomorrow to move.
We can't make it to the Psycho Buster's storage location until the pseudo false whitecape awakens...
SPLISH


Just one species here...
Saki, do you have your things?
What?! Are there any by the shore as well?!
Of course!


They fell prey to the indigenous species.
You mentioned that a third of your troops died in the last expedition, but how?

You should have warned us!!
Watch out!!
FWIP

PLAP


A monstrous type of ragworm, quick and with large jaws that tore my troops in half...
They seem to live in male-female pairs. I lost two to them.

BLAM
SEEP
じわっ
ズシ…
SPLASH
Sa...

Sa-
toru?!
No....!!
GWOP

Mr. Itui !!
Sukeat Sukeat

but I was able to save him in the nick of time.
SATORUUU
I saw it from above, and it happened so fast...

Sa-toru!
Thank you so much!
Mr. Inui, you saved my life!
Wow...!
No joke!
...

Mr. Izui, thank you for saving me back there.

Ah... then with my skills.
Really... what would we do without you?
Wildlife Preservation Officers are as amazing as they say. We'll be relying on your survive skills.

I swear it!
I will make sure that you all return alive.

No matter how dirty my hands get, I intend to see this through—and that's why I'm worried that
Kiromaru, who shares my fate, might betray us.
Well, having lost all my comrades, I'm alone now and have nothing left to do.
?
...
You didn't see that coming from me?
Er... it was just so out of the blue.
I don't think so.
...
?!
I even suspect him of killing Mizuho Watanabe and stealing her package.
...I see. A calm and sound notion.
But
Out of all of the Morph Rat commanders, he had the strongest allegiance to us humans. Can't we trust him?
Couldn't my mother have seen Kiromaru as the most likely to survive in the besieged town and chosen him for that reason?

Can you continue to trust him, knowing this?
he is also the reason for Satoru's near-death today.

He may attempt to sell us to Squealer in exchange for his Queen...but his experience and sharp sense of smell are invaluable.
Were we right to bring Kinomaru along?

That...

Inui!

He won't make a move as long as I'm here.
Well, don't worry about it.

It's about the night watch.
Gods, please rest. Trust me to keep you safe.
I'll handle it, alone.
But, as meager as my—
No need.
I'll remain alert. Rest easy and well.
As you wish.

It seems that you two got into a spat with Susumu.
Yes... he said something that we couldn't forgive.
If you say so, Inui. I'm going to sleep.

Let me tell you his story.
...

The Toriga siblings were being groomed to hold important positions in town and were given special educations with less brainwashing. I received the standard schooling.
Ever since we were young, Susumu, his sister Hiromi Toriga, and I were close. But we were not educated together.

If anything, you are the outliers.
They freely concluded that was the right thing to do.
Less brainwashing? But they've both cooperated with Lady Tomiko...

All adults who have been educated normally, myself included, have been brainwashed to think so.
Your vision requires changing all of us adults' minds... An immense task.
!!
I, too, believe that dangerous children ought to be disposed of.
So it's just a dream for now...
I-If we can find a cure, then... I'm sure...
How will the town ever last?
Then let me rephrase. Will we ever spare kids who're turning into Fiends and Karma Demons?
We know. But we have to.
Don't see this as you two against the world. Work with people to make your vision a reality.
Long ago, Susumu voiced the same ideals that you do now.
Huh ?!
Once we're done here, go convince Susumu and make him your ally.

For now, you can count on me!
In return, I leave the future after this to you!
You could use the help of an able guy like Sunohara.
With Lady Tomiko gone, your decision will impact the future of the town...of its people. There is no leeway.

Yes !!

truly marvelous...

into the future !!
to carry hope
I swear to carry youths like you...
...

SNIFF SNIFF

Don't think you can get away with anything just because you're the cutest person in the world.

Stupid twit.
...I said let go already!

You're worried, right? If we screw up, it'll be no joke.
And some of us could end up dead.
But you don't need to worry about any of that.
Huh ?

I don't care what dirty trick I have to use, I won't let them kill you!
Never. Over my dead body !!

I'm sorry, Shin. I was wrong
Huh ?
It can't stay this way...
?
I will help...
I will definitely save you !!

I'll become strong too!
Strong enough to protect you!!
So don't talk about dying for me anymore...
okay?
Wh-What's gotten into you?
Good night, Shio! Let's do our best tomorrow!
I'm going to be strong!
Like me, Saki!!
The hell...

Gods! Please awaken !!
* gasp *
Kira-maru... Wait, what ?!
These flowers! Did they bloom overnight?! What a place Tokyo is...
It's an emergency! Please hurry!
What is it ?!

All right! I'll...

!!

They have come after us!
I smell them from that direction! Can one of you gods make certain?

A ship !!
Satoru! Zoom in!!

SWOOSH

This is bad... What about the pseudo false whitecape ?!
!!
Fiend
Mirror Device 008.
I am the National Diet Library, Tsukuba Branch's
Please, wait!!
!!
If we can obtain the Psycho Buster before the Fiend catches up to us, we'll be fine!
From the present coordinates, please proceed west by northwest at 290 degrees.
Let's force our way across the desert!
Hey! Can you tell us where this address is?!
It's on!!

Our situation has changed!
It is dangerous, but we must travel underground.

Didn't you say it's home to creatures that can prey on Morph Race?!
Why do we have to traverse such a hell?!

!!

B-But...
...

In the underground, my lore and your magick should at least keep us from being entirely wiped out.
Because the Fiend is with our pursuers. The desert offers no cover from its field of vision.
We are dead the moment it sees us.

Inui! He can make the correct choice for us!!
Damn!! I can't decide — underfoot or above ground?!
Could this also be Kitomaru's trap?! Is he guiding us toward a risky route on purpose?
Inui! Wake up, it's the Fiend!!
Inu ...
Haruka, you and the others gather our things!
Yes!
We'll beat him awake!
Mr. Inui!!
Inui! Hey!
Is he still asleep?!
...
Mr. Tonga?

!!!
AA AA AA HH HH
Inui!! INUI!! WHY YYY YY ?!
Mr. Inui... Why...?
Mr. Inui killed by a not possible! What happened?!
Why... why?!
Don't look away!
Don't flinch
Ugh...
Still! This is Mr. Inui, he wouldn't let himself be taken so easily! Unless, say...someone distracted him while from behind...
He's been lopped in half... Was it yesterday's monster? Could it have climbed up here?!

Was it you, Kiromaru ?!
K...
Lord Inui!
This...
...I know not what you speak of.
The Fiend nears. Quickly, please make up your mind!
You bastard, I know you did some-thing!
The most cautious, responsible man I've ever known, Inui! How could he have been killed?!
Nkk!
Or below ?!
Above ground ?!

During the Nine Day War at the end of the Past Civilization, much of the Earth's surface was destroyed.
and most of the remaining buildings also crumbled within 100 years.

Strong acidic rain melted the limestone in concrete and washed it underground.
In just a few hundred years, a stalactite cave was formed.

Wow... Wh-What's with this cave?
It's a stalactite cave. But why is there one under Tokyo?

The carpet of feces lain out in front of you...
The feces of the roughly ten billion bats that dwell here act as nutrition to support an ecosystem in an otherwise barren environment.
That's probably not all... Our image of Tokyo as a hell must have led humans to unconsciously speed up the collapse through leaked magick.

Urrrr— Do we have to walk over this?
It smells so bad —
This is all crap ?
are full of feeding roaches and maggots.

Yes.
Can you tell us what kind of weapon the Psycho Buster is?
A flower? This far below ground —
Hmm ?

It kills via a genetically modified strain of anthrax that is inhaled by the victim.
It is a biological weapon created by the Past Civilization in order to kill PK users.

Were we right to listen to Kiromaru and to venture underground? I don't know... Nothing is certain...
Does the Psycho Barrier STILL EXIST?
A weapon suited to a tunnel
If all goes well, we may be able to win right here.

Hey !
Mr. Torigai
This is the limit! Let's do it
Huh ?!
They're creatures whose genes were modified by magick to endow them with intelligence.
The original mammals, called naked mole rats, were irregular in that they burrowed and based their colony around a single queen.
Satoru! I've always wondered... Did Marsh Rats exist during the Past Civilization?
No

We'll continue on our own from here!!
We avenge Inui before we're betrayed... and kill Kiromaru !!

Mr. Torigai !!
Shut up! I'm drinking it!
Wait a second. Don't be rash!
?!

Sniff sniff
It's them
Kiromaru ?
!!
Turn

Any Morph Rat could! The enemy will follow our scent too and take the shortest path! Let us hurry!
You can tell just by smell ?!
Seven have entered the cave !
Sakura? What's wrong?
Smell... no... but...
Ms. Seki, watch out!
I smell both the Fiend and Squealer!
!!

ずお
お
おお
ズズズ

What the hell is this ?!
So this is an under-ground crea... hm?
It's in pain ?
Hey, Sha... towards its tail ...

!!
There's something black... attacking it?
Para

Now !!
Wh- What?!
Huh ?!
It's the Shadow!! Run!!

Bugs ?!
A species of mite
Para
Para
Para

They possess a lethal neurotoxin and devour soft body tissue.
Black Widow Mites. They are carnivorous and hunt in swarms.

Many of my troops fell to that Shadow! Hurry!
It does not move very quickly!

We've run far enough. A fair distance between us now.
Hah
Hah

AARGH!!
Mr. Tori-gai!
Bring a flame close to it! Do not tear it off in haste!
Ughu ahhhh!
It has no poison. Let us stop the blood...

Kiromaru! You led us into danger on purpose, didn't you?!
No... I—
I know the truth!!
About how the Giant Hornet colony was abused
despite being the most loyal to humans!

Our Messiah will purge you from this world!
You wanted to take revenge, didn't you?!
You hold it against us, don't you?!
At heart you feel the same way as that Morph Rat we met underground!!
I will not deny this.
...
However, I!!
I knew it! Ungrateful brute!
Ha ha ha !!
!!

Trying to change the subject?
Nkk... If you have doubts, kill me.
Gods! There is something I want to check! Let us surface for a moment!
SNF

All right. This is your last chance then.
Understood! We will ascend using that shaft a little ways back!
But please, spare me for just a while longer!
!!

Huh ?!
I didn't notice it when we rushed by only moments ago...
Yet another flower, here?

Pseudo false white-cape... What are these flowers ?!
Unknown. Possibly a new species.
A new species that'd be fine. Just a new species of flower that blooms underground
But...

not Reiko's... but Shun's... !!
Everybody! Keep your eyes peeled for snipers!!
WHUP
!!
What is it ...
Gods! Please scope out the sea once again!
This is... as I thought !!

What... the hell ?!

I do have a plan! Let us assess the situation.
Wh- What are we supposed to do against so many ?!
A grand army of Morph Rats ?!

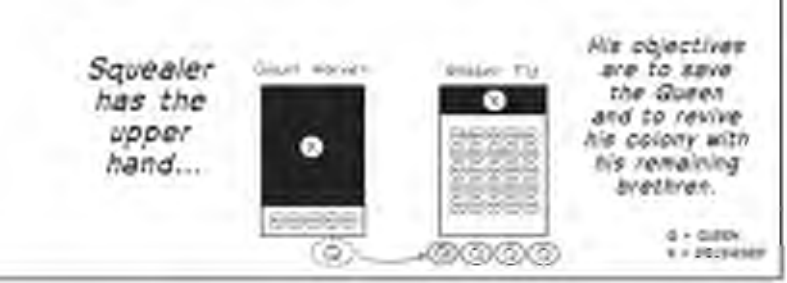
GET!!
The other will provoke the Fiend, who's underground, preventing it from joining up with the army, and retrieve the Psycho Buster and kill it.
We need to split into two groups. One will head to the shore and destroy the army.
If either group fails... there will be no future for us.
Army
While if the Fiend merges with that army...
We cannot attack the group in the tunnel on account of the Fiend, but we could take the giant army skirt out at sea.
Together they'll be unassailable. Even with the Psycho Buster, our chances of getting the Fiend to inhale the antivirus are next to none...
The question is whether or not to trust
With Mr. Inui gone, Kiromaru is the best tactician we have.
It is crude but that is our only option !!
Kiro-maru himself !!
his plan... no...

Kamiko bb
Acreage to you.
I hereby entrust

There is no leeway.
With Lady Tomiko gone, your decision will impact the future of the town...of its people.

as humans, or Squealer ?
If I were Kiro-maru, whom would I aid ...

That is why I chose to live on, even sacrificing my troops!
To save our Queen and carve Squealer to pieces ...


Squealer has the upper hand...
Giant Hornet
Rubber Fly
His objectives are to save the Queen and to revive his colony with his remaining brethren.

and perhaps rebuild itself under human protection— but there's no guarantee!
If he sides with humans, the Rubber Flies will be eradicated after the war, and the Giant Hornet colony will become the only one in the Kanto region
Safe
Rubber Fly
Giant Hornet
and in the worst-case scenario be persecuted for generations to come.
If Kiromaru sides with Squealer, the Giant Hornets will be absorbed by the Rubber Flies as a former enemy after the war
Giant Hornet
Rubber Fly

If I were him, I would choose...

Hey, Kiromaru
Satoru ?!
Saki... I'm unable to trust Kiromaru either.
!!
I—
Hey! Are you planning on trusting him?!

!!

Wh-
What does he mean?!
Sa-
toru
?

...

Did the Fiend really come after us into the tunnel?

Wh-
What do you mean?
If it's a lie, then the whole premise falls apart!

However, we have no way to confirm that info.
Scent ...
Kiromaru told us that he'd smelled the Fiend enter the underground because Morph Rats have keener noses than humans.

The Fiend never followed us into the cave!
It's still waiting on the shore to join up with the grand army!!
!!!
If I were Squealer, I wouldn't give chase in a small group!
You were going to trick and kill half of us in one shot, weren't you?!
I-Is this true, Kiro-maru?!
Y-You fooled us?!
No...
That is not so...
Not so...
No...

If we do not quickly head to share and crush the army, we will be at the mercy of their matchlock guns!!
Please trust me!!

Don't play dumb!! I bet you killed Inui, too!

Please, decide!
In order to defeat the Fiend, you must trust me and act now!!

The wrong one equals a massacre and a future of servitude to the Rats! There's not the slightest room for error!
The future of mankind rests on this choice...

Gods! Make your choice!
Now !
Now !!
Now !!
Now !!
...

FROM
THE
NEW
WORLD

CHAPTER 21
A SNAKE IN ONE'S BOSOM
We don't have time. Will you trust me or not...
Decide now or there will be no future at all!
Sak!... what do we do?
This is war... Humans and Morph Rats at war...
Kiromaru is suspect but...
we haven't a single proof of his betrayal
Why should we ever trust you?! You lowly Rat!

Sharpen every nerve!
Give it all you've got!
The future of humanity, tens of thousands of years of our destiny...
Our enemy can't stand to lose either!
over the future!!

Kiro-maru.
trust ...
I'm going to
If we crush the army before it lands, it should be safe.
So Satoru, Kiromaru, and I will go under-ground.
Mr. Torigai, Sho, and Haruka, please head to the beach.
Let victory be ours, without fail!!
rests upon this choice!!

FROM
THE
NEW
WORLD

Are you kidding me?!
You fool!
Going around spouting a childish fantasy!
Shut up! Don't you dare bring up Inui!
Once we're through here, we can—
Why would I join—
When you were young, you too, aimed for a world where children do not have to be disposed of...
Mr. Torigai... Mr. Inui told me.
!!
?!
Mr. Torigai! Please stop!

Then... why... when Ms. Saki is talking about our future...
H-Haru-ka?
M-Mr. Torigai... You had a lot of r-respect for Lady Tomiko, right?
Haru-ka...

Why won't you listen to what she has to say?!
When it was Lady Tomiko who chose her...

I believe in Ms. Saki!
She can lead us to a brighter future!
Hey, you're speaking out of turn!
Sho ...
Heh heh heh ...
Haruka Sakai... How ironic that you would speak of the future!
Wh-Why are you laughing ?!
?!
?
Heh HAH HAH HAH HA

You, who are turning into a Karma Demon ...
have no future !

...
Wha?

Hmph.
It is. I'm in a position to peruse the disposal list.

Nk
Mr. Torigai... is that... true?

Oh crap...

Now that the Cats of Impurity have been wiped out, the only choice was to have her die far away from town!

So why did you agree to bring them to Tokyo?!
Y-You know that a stable mental state can slow down its progression!

Then the reason that you stood up for us...

Hnnk...
Hnnk...

Ugh
Ha ha ha ha
Urr
You were the very picture of an imbecilic brat desperately dragging your friend towards her grave!

Nonsense, don't you realize yet that they're abnormal, destroyers of order?!
D-Do you not have even a sliver of sympathy for kids marked for disposal?!

Stop !!
Shut up, shut up, shut uppp!
It's wrong to hang onto such a false equilibrium !
Even Lady Tomiko must have been hoping that somebody would shatter it

Instead of arguing ...
Hmm... Hmm...
...

we need to act on the plan as soon as possible!
right now... for the future of mankind,

!
ぽやっ
...
Haruka ...

We should get going too! Our mission is a hazardous one to approach and mislead the Fiend ...
Follow me! As a responsible adult, I will monitor you until you die!
You can't be feeling distracted.
Heh heh heh... The brats and I are together, huh?

I'm
Fine, thank you.

Ms. Saki ...
Haruka... I promised to protect you...

Sho !!
Huh ?!
...

You're any-thing but!

You're the only one who can save her!!
Listen to me! Under no circumstances is Haruka to use magick !!
You take care of the army, quickly, and put her at ease!

If you don't ...

This time for sure!
you'll regret it for the rest of your life! You *must*... You *must* look after her!!
At least you two!
Mr. Saki...
Let's go... Haruka.
Yup.
Saki

Let's all get
back to town alive, no matter what.

Yes... no matter what!

I'd like to propose a plan in which you gods will be the bait so I can mount an assault.
The scents of Squealer and the Fiend draw nearer.
By rubbing feces on my body, I can hide my smell from the pursuers' noses for a time.
Wh-What are you doing?!

The plan maximizes our difference in experience braving the Tokyo underground. Twill deal a vicious blow bound to further draw in the pursuers.
Of course...
I-Is that going to work?!
...Tell us more.

...
have your trust, do I not?
I do

We lie in wait here, and once they catch up, we stay out of the Friend's visual field, run for it, and lure them to that place...
...
Let's go ahead with it!

But... I'm sorry. I can't say for sure that we aren't being tricked...
I may have put all of us in danger.
Well, as long as Kiromaru hasn't thrown away his pride as a Morph Rat, I can't see him ever siding with Squealer.
Can I ask you why you decided to trust Kiromaru?

So you don't need to apologize, not to me.
It's the path you chose. I'll share the blame.

Sa-
toru
...
I'll
apolo-
gize with
you in
the next
world!
If we
blow
it,
There!
Here!

Time for our plan!
The Fiend... Squealer...!!
They were really here!
At the very least, Haruka's group won't face the Fiend!
!!
!!

Why don't you just give up?!
Gods !

He's bluffing to confuse us! Run, Saki!
!!
No... that can't be!

Kiromaru has already turned himself over to us.

ガラガラ

You must not continue this for lack of keen senses.. hmf..
Futile resistance will only cause you agony.

Saki! Don't listen!
!!
at the end of that corridor is a dead end.

With that cue, I will mount my assault.
They are hydrophobic. When the pursuers make it into the hall, evaporate the water with your magick.

The limestone hall!
THUD

Right here! Let's hide!
Saki ?!
Kinomaru-
a dead end
Gods, we too wish to avoid any needless casualties.
We promise not to harm you if you choose to surrender now!

But! Kiromaru is a different species in the end...not human! Should I not have trusted him?!
No! I can't have doubts now! All the lost pig meat for the Shaman!
Did Kiromaru really switch sides?! Was he pretending to be our ally to trap us?!

GURUR
GURUR

...

Still... It'll be okay...

Me, I have no doubts
I'm sure Saki Watanabe made the right decision !
Gulp
!!
They're here!

Now !!
BONG
Your turn, Kiro-maru !!
!!

...

Kiromaru?
!!

We were duped? We blew it!
Kya hya hya hya
Is this ... the end ?!
If you will not surrender we have no choice
You will die in anguish at our Messiah's hands!
But your efforts are in vain
Heh heh heh... What a clever plan.
Vain! Vain. vain!

The Fiend ...?!
SPLASH
SPLASH
SPLASH
SPLASH
SPLASH
SPLASH
SPLASH
SPLASH
SPLASH

BGY-
IIII-
IIII

Gods... I'm sorry to have kept you waiting.
BGYIIIII!
The plan was a success!
Kiro-maru!
Heh... Haha...
Gyi-hgy-iiii!
Uh-what is that?
RUN! Retreat, retreat!

Heh heh heh... It seems they've turned tail.
Good, good!
sigh
Ha ha ha

You really are shrewd, Kiromaru. We would never have thought to use them.
How did you ever corral them?
Thanks to being tormented by them in the past, I had to learn how to deal with them.

I am sure that they will pursue us in a frenzy.
Let us draw them in thus and yet obtain the Psycho Buster!

I had hoped that we would get the Fiend... but we were not so lucky.

And now —

No. This is it for you and me.

Kiromaru and I will draw the pursuers away.
Saki, you head on alone to where the Psycho Buster is stored.

Sa-toru!
...Yes. Stay on guard against those subterranean creatures please.
Are you fine with that?
Leave that squad to me.
...
Saki... It's all yours.
Yeah.
All right. Just don't overdo it.
See you soon— alive, okay?

I'm not so sure.
The sign of a great bond.
With so few words you read each other...
Yes. To get there...
Start guiding me to the destination!
A bond like that comes with things
you don't get around to asking at all.
is simply that I trust Seki's judgment but not you!
Kiro-maru... you know of course, don't you? The reason I stayed
?

I'm gonna see you out to the end!

...To your heart's content.
ハァハァ
ハァハァ

Make her walk!
Ow
Stop it!

Hey! Hurry up! What'll we do if they land first?!
Haah... Haah...

You sick fuck

It'll quicken the trans-formation, and save me some trouble.

Shit! Shit! No matter what...
It's all cause I'm a stupid ignoramus! I can't forgive myself!

Haah... Haah... I'm sorry... Sho...
Damn... Keep your mouth shut... bald cat!
You don't need to worry about a thing.

If anything, I...
Huh?

I won't let Haruka
turn into a Karma Demon!!

Sho... we've been through a lot these last few days...

Like being betrayed by Mom and Dad
and the town getting washed
Even Karma Demons and Fiends were real and not fairy tales
Our world's been turned on its head so many times.

Hehehen... But what's funny is that of all things,
my happy memories of being with you haven't changed one bit and still feel true...

Just remember-ing them makes me glad I was born into this world,
you know?

Don't say stupid things, stupid!
I'm telling you I won't let you die!
Stupid idiot!

mmh... mmh...

Such an idiot !!

Haha... I got yelled at.

Sorry

I can't even cheer her up, let alone look after her.

Pathetic... I can't do a thing... Even at a time like this, all that comes out of my mouth are insults.

Shio... why are you always

Tell me,

so nice to me?

What the hell is with me... I'm so weak! I'm the idiot!!

Yes! We made it!!
At this distance, I can...
!!
We're here! It's the sea!!
Where's the army?!
Huh? Wh-What are you talking about?
Look... closer... on the decks.
Please wait!!
?!
Sweep them away, ships and all!
Th-
Help! Help me...
I'm sor- *cough* me...
?!
Ah...
Ah...
Ah...
Ah...
ゴクッ

They're using live human shields !!
On all of the ships?!
Then we simply save them before attacking !
No! Mr. Torigai!
?!
Sinking the ships whole would mean killing humans! Just to keep us, with our shame-death code, from attacking?!
Such a horrid move?!

Ngh

Those iron stakes are... fixed deep within the ships. Moving them will kill the people.
And removal is meant to cause fatal bleeding.

Has she been getting worse then?!

KRIK
!!

All on our own lone-some !!
Facing the entire army's match-lock guns!

Squealer, the bastard... He prepared for even this! Now we have no choice but to allow them to land and to strike the moment they do!

There won't be one Rat left once I'm done!!
Shit! We'll do it!

a chance... Heh heh heh!
That's right! We do stand

Haru... ka?
The destination is 43 meters upwards and...

FROM
THE
NEW
WORLD

They're coming from the right! Crush them!
Haruka, slowpoke! That's why you don't have friends!
R-Right... Sorry...

Fweh?! Cute?!
And you're too damn cute!
You don't have friends 'cause you're too cute!
Th- That's not true...
Slaughter the Rats on ships that unloaded their hostages!

CHAPTER 22 SACRIFICE

Hm... Just a matter of time...
I'll finish them off soon!
Cut it out! Haruka! Don't you do a thing!
Could sure use an extra hand! Make Haruka Sakai use magic!
Sho ...
Sho ...
Sho ...

Gyhiaa
Haruka
!!
Haruka
AAA
AAA
AAH
Kyu
Kyu

Haruka, man...
Hey, you've always with

So is it true?

nick!
BLAM
Are you two an item?
Hey, Sho ...
Well... I, uh... recently...
DIE DIE DIE DIIII IIIE!!

...
Um... What do you think, Sho?
got asked if I... we're... going out.

ドバキ
DRAIN
Ugh
ドオン
DUON

O-Okay...
Don't talk about such stupid things, idiot.
ボオン
DOKAN

Why... Why does Haruka have to become a Karma Demon?
It's unfair! It's wrong!!
...
Are they... dead?
Wha—
The fools!
They haven't noticed that their hostages have died! Corpses won't trigger a shame death!
All...
Which is it? Alive or dead?

A corpse doesn't make a good hostage, you idiots !!
No, dead! Ha ha ha!
Ha ha ha ha!
We're going home! After we put an end to this shit...
Back to our happy world with Haruka in it!

I won't let adults do as they please !!

Wh-Whee?! Um...
then I'll kill myself too. Are you fine with that?
Huh? If you're going to give up on living,
Y-You can't put yourself in danger too...

...
I...
Um
Sho
Why are you always so nice to me?

NKK
...
RACTUM
RACTUM
You're slow and have no friends ...
so I'm just tryin' ta help!

If I say anything, she'll ...
No way, I can't tell her!
NGG!!
know!!

...
She'll know everything... I don't want that! Not being able to stay the way we've been?!
Why I really invited her... How happy I was to be with her...

Oh, okay ...

The truth is
No... it's not.
I've always ...
THUD

I still ...
Damn, gotta survive this!

have too much
left to say to you!!
?!
We're not keeping up! Even though we need to finish this quickly!
!
<gasp>
Huh

Shit... she won't stop turning!
Now... We need to end this now!
?!

THUD

You don't need to!
Haruka! Keep your head down!
I see! Look, Haruka Saka!
Ha ha ha!

It's not your fault!!
Haruka! Don't feel bad —

That monster mutated thanks to you ...
and killed Inui!
No!
He's wrong, Haruka! Don't let it rattle you!!

Focus on happy memories !!
You mur- derer!

!!
DWOOSH

Oh boy! Reality, consumed by fantasies?! At last...
Keh heh heh heh
It wouldn't ... stop?

WOOSH

she's become a true Karma Demon!
?!
This phenomenon... Could it be...
Haruka ?!
What will you do?
If you plan on betraying us, now's the time, no??
What is this sin ?!
Must be the effects of Demonification... Maybe they failed at the shore.

Hmph. Let's do it!
You mean it's the perfect moment to ambush them?
You jest.
!
?!!

Bi..
ドン
ゴキ
Gypi Gyachu Chupi Gyupeeta Kee Kee Gyagya!
Gyi ...
!!
...
Gyyogya Pichochik Kee Kee Kya!
Ha ha ...

TURN
Haruka
!

...

Let's return to town alive, no matter what.
Yes... no matter what!
You're the only one who can save her!!

How much farther to the Psycho Buster?!
STOP
My part is to ...

and 15 meters ahead.
43 meters above —

All of you...
I...get it now...

Morph Rats are really—
Tk— The hell are you doing ?!
Just watch !
!!
Fwa ha ha ha
I was waiting for this !!
!

Gybya
aaaaaa
!
DAK
DOM

Now that's a Karma Demon! A cataclysm that mutates everything around it through its leaking magick!
Nobody can stop its power now! Morph Rats hardly pose a threat! And...
with this, we should be able to defeat the Fiend as well!
You should not call it by that name...
Cut it! I'm not letting Haruka do that!

It's a Karma Demon.
It is no longer a human.

Is it too late?
No ...
Is Haruka ?!
Karma... Demon?
SHOOM

no longer ...

Don't get close! You'll get mutated too!
What are you doing ?!
AAA AAA AAH

Haruka!
!
Haruka!
STING
Haru-
kaaa
!!
Like
I
would
give
up!
Shit,
shit,
shit!
Was it the
adults?!
The town?!
Magick?!
Why
did this
happen
?!!

I'll stay by your side, even if you're a Karma Demon!
We'll live together, somewhere far away from others!
Enough! Let's ditch this crap 'n run away, just the two of us!!

I guess in the end
Uh-uh. I can feel magick leaking out of me, endlessly... Just by existing I'll end up polluting the whole planet.

This time ...
Sho, stay away ...
...
I should have died when my parents abandoned me.

I really need to
die.
Give me a break ...
Ha-ruka ...
Look this way, please
Haru-ka...
Haru-ka...
Haruka ...
Nkk ...

I love you! Haruka !!

I don't want you to die!
I love you
so please don't die!

So ...
I just... couldn't tell you how I really felt.
I'm... sorry I always insulted you...

NRRGH...
Don't tell me you think a Karma Demon can turn back into a human?!
What do you think you're doing??
Even if we can't go back to the way we were,
I...

I love you, okay?!
I love you, Haruka!
I don't care if I turn into some monster as long as I can stay by your side!
There's no point to living in a world without you!!

Sho
I—

Huh?
BLAM
N-Need to regroup! Make a stand...
in the cave!
Uh? Whoa... it didn't work?
Holy
...?!
GAH! UH!

La..dy... Tomi..ko...
Huuh... ...uuh...

Sis...
Pyuh

Pgyoh Gyagii Kee Kee Bigyakya AAA-GYIIK!
...

BAM!!

Kiromaru... After the ambush, what was Squealer yelling?
Filthy insults not fit for your ears.

"Was the ambition you spoke of back then, of independence, a lie?!"
And ...
"In my heart it has never flickered out!"

Kiro-maru !!
Did you let your guard down, thinking I don't know Morph Rat?!

What ambition for what indepen-dence ?!

Chapter 23
Duty

What ambition for what indepen-dence?!
Kiro-maru !

Nkk ...
Answer me, Kiromaru !!

My ambition is to escape from that...
Squealer has been gaining power by absorbing other colonies.
Nm ...

Do not lie to me, Kiro-maru !!
Guh ?!

But ...!
I-If you have any doubts, then kill me. But...

The Fiend is heading this way! Please, god, you must escape!
This scent !

Why do you persist in lying ...
Do you mean to deceive us just as Squealer did?
!!
...why you came to explore Tokyo in the past!
I-I would never deceive the gods...
Then tell me
Why did a great general risk so many of his troops in a barren land?
What were you looking for?!

TELL MEE !! KIRO-MARU !!!
Tell me the truth! Then I'll trust you.
Th-That is...
Nk.
Do you remember when Seki and I first met you when we were still kids?
?
Ah-Mercy
Back then...
were you trying to kill my best friend on orders from the adults?

Nk ...
You want to kill humans for that, don't you?!

You think that even if you tell the truth, I, being cruel and unfair, will kill you.
I cannot reply...
What's wrong? If you don't reply, you'll die.

This! Could it be?

H-How can you...

The Fiend is not behind us
God... More importantly, the Fiend is...

SHOW
SHOW

Mirrors ...!!
I figured what sort of lies you'd tell if I confronted you!
You really thought you could fool me so easily ?!

NGG
GAAGH...
ZUMM
Do not take our kind light-ly!
Kiro-maru ...
...
Why... do you torment me so, knowing full well that I dare not speak my heart?
The first time I met you...

Troops that thought nothing of the Pseudo Morph Rats...
...Huh?
I idolized you.
My soul was shaken.
and you, who led that army and dismantled the enemy
I couldn't take my eyes off of you.
!
I looked up to you.
Yeah, I can't ever tell anyone. But it's the truth.
You, a god, who has magick...
That's not... possible... admiring a Morph Rat...

Telling filthy lies! Are you no better than Squealer ?!
But I want to butcher every single Rat who bares its fangs at humans! Kiromaru, that includes you!
That's why I want to trust you! Let me speak my own mind!
Now speak your mind too!
Nick ...
would never cast you aside !
Saki and I
I take heart that you're on our side !!

I desire independence from your rule! Yet!!
You rulers who would call yourselves gods—
I wish to kill you!! Just as Squealer is doing!!

Even if it means bowing to your kind ...

I wish to save my colony ... my Queen !!
and miring my face in mud

Hey, look!
That's ...
This scent... The Morph Rat grand army has entered the cave !
!

バサバサ
Ah...
?!
This building employed reinforced concrete to guard against fires.
...and ...as it was immersed in water, it retained its form...

Haruka...
バサ
バサ
バサ
バサ

Gyah
gya

FLAP
ZUASH
I won't let you reach
Ms. Saki !!

バサ
バサ
バサ
バサ

…

ZAZAMU
ザザ…
ZAZAMU
ザザ…

Hey... Sho.
I wonder why things turned out this way
Yeah
Ugh
Is it true... you love me?
About me!
H- How do you feel?
No.
Come on- Say it again!
Whaw Come on, please!

Wait a sec...
Uh...
Oh...
Hmm? How...
...
Sigh
Have I never... told you?
Sho...
...
N-No way... Now... That's...

I've always loved you.
HUH?!
Sh-Sho?!
Phew...
Haruka, I...
love you too.

W-Wow... What is this? My oh my~
D-Don't really know, but it's pretty crazy...
Y-Yeah!
Tee hee hee

Ha ha ha
Yeah... but I'm not sure if my heart would've been able to take it!
Sigh I should have told you earlier if it was gonna make me feel this happy.
'Cause we'll be together from now on.
Well, Fine.

Nope.
'Cause you're gonna go on living.

What the...

Huh ?!
Wha

Pgyoh
Gyuu
Kee Ker
Bieyakya
AAA
GYK!?

Ha-
ruka
?!

You
mean,
after
that
...!!

Sorry,
Sho...
Sleep
for a
bit.

At
least...
take
me
with
you!
I don't
want to
live in
a world
without
you!
Het
heh
...

I'm...
really
happy we
got to
talk.
No,
please
Don't
go,
Haruka
!

Nope

You aren't dying with me.
My payback for the insults.
It was only—
all cuz I...
Wait, that was

I'll always love you.
Bye! Live all you can and
find all the happi-ness in the world!

Oh.
by Haruka Sakai ?
I was saved ...
Just around the wound ...
Haruka !
The Karma Demon signs have totally vanished ...

AWAAAAAAAA
Why ...
Why does it have to be this way?
No matter how hard we try,
we lose our loved ones!

It's always this way... The people I want to protect are taken from me.
So what exactly
How could the world be such a callous place ?!
HARUKAAAA!!

What was the point of my struggles my life?
An ideal world? The people I want there are gone now...
am I fighting for?

The Psycho Buster's location is on an upper floor
Srun
...

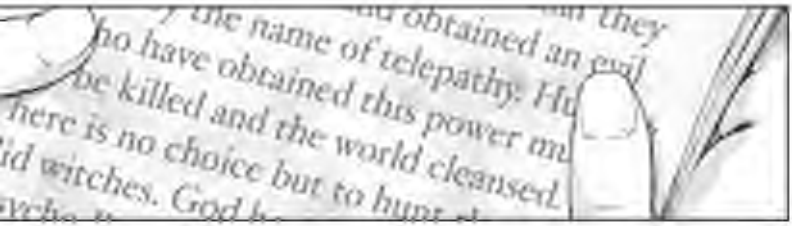
No... actually, the future a thousand years from now doesn't concern me.
a thousand years from now, we might be ruled by Mongo Rats.

Hey... Shun... Do I really need to fight? So much has been lost already...
Even if humanity wins and survives...

No one I care about will be around then!

must I fight and suffer like this today ?!
So why

You are alive, Saki.
You can shape the future.
This
A letter, from the previous owner.


the name of telepathy. Hu
ho have obtained this power m
be killed and the world cleansed.
here is no choice but to hunt
id witches. God

The war today is no different from the one back then.
Over a hundred million people in Japan who never awakened to magick fought but had no future.
and robbed of a future.
Beaten by our ancestors a thousand years ago

Everybody is risking their lives for their futures.
Only those people who win and live on
will be able to shape the future.
Saki,
what sort of future do you want to create ?
My... future ...

Is that future...?
something worth fighting for, Saki?

Yes!

This is...the Psycho Buster!

I'm afraid I need to go ...

Saki ...
that's not right.
But Shun... a world without the person dearest to me is... very lonely.

The dearest person for you isn't Maria or me anymore.
He's been by your side all along.
Time's fair to all.
You aren't the same person you were back then. Your memories get in the way and it can be hard to tell.

So please marry me!
I want to make you happy!
I want to see you smile the way you used to! I want to turn the town into a place we'd be proud to show Shun and the others!
That's how I want to live!

... Good-bye.
Shun ...
thank you.

Ah

I wonder how much I've really faced him.
He stayed with me even when I'd lost everybody and only had my goal to chase...

Who was it that gave me love and joy?

It's not like I don't also...
Thanks to him I was able to keep my eyes on the future!

God?! How did you find us?!
!
Ag g...
ズザッ
Dad
haaa...
haaa...

Seki
...
Seki
?

Satoru
...
Satoru
!!

Satoru...
I've decided.
I'm glad you're okay... What's the matter?
Sa-
toru
!!

I want to create a future with you!
Once all this is over, let's get married and have kids!

And it took me so long to propose...
Haha... You just come out with it like that?

Heh heh

So this is the Psycho Buster.

Wait! Just one thing...
I've already formulated a plan. I will lead them to the—
Oh... uh...
I'll hold onto it.

That's not it. I've made up my mind. But there's something...
You don't want to kill the Fiene after all?
It's about Maria and Mamoru's child...

ガシッ
WHYYYY!!
I just can't get past...

Why won't you understand, Kiremaru ?!
Why do you side with the humans?! Whilst knowing the truth ...
Of all things, why did that child ...
end up a Fiend ?
CONTINUED IN VOLUME 7

Earthside TV

So this...is heaven
♡
KOSUTI
YUREIKO
-HEAVEN ARC-

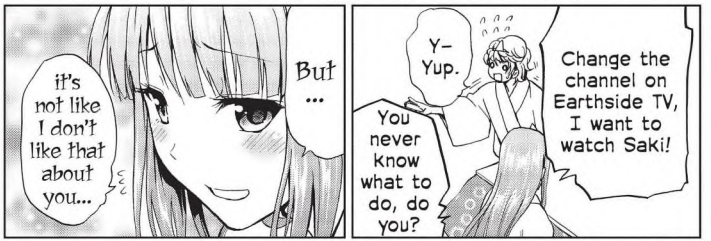
FEW MONTHS
FEW WEEKS
FEW DAYS LATER

Heyo~
FEW YEARS
Heaven's just too badass!
Huh?! Wha-wawa
Heaven is so heavenly that I'm losing all track of time!!
H-How many years has it been?!
Yeah right, you
This...is heaven!!
Huh?! Weren't you watching ?!
Whoa?! When did you two die?!
O-Of course we were~

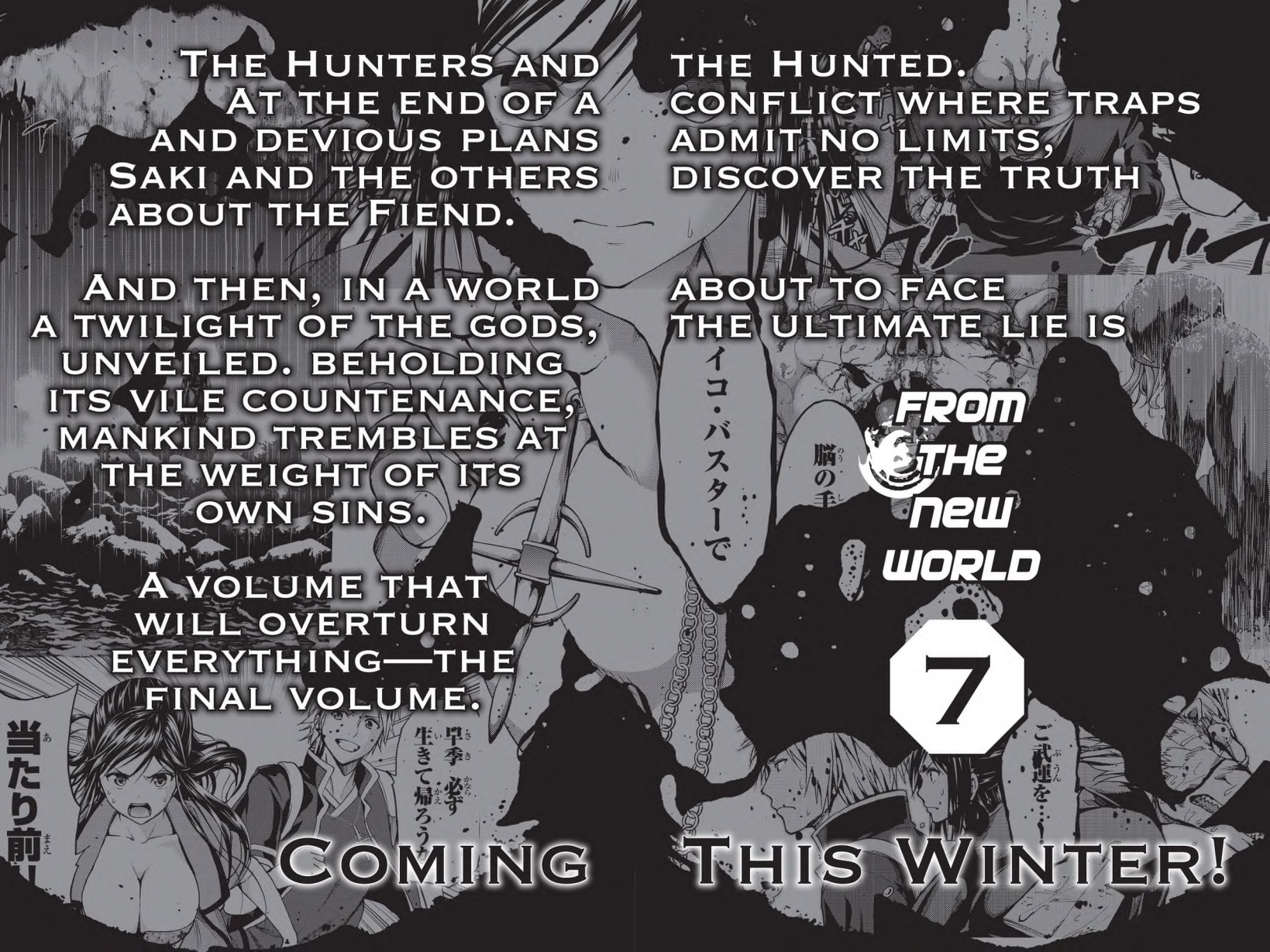
Come to think of it, I never even imagined Maria with a guy... I wonder what their relationship is like...
Whatta natural matri-arch!
Mom
Okay.
Ooh
Mamoru, peel me an orange.
Easy now ...
Spicy!
Er...
Ugh, that sucked!! I can't believe we were fooled by Morph Rats! I thought you were going to protect me, Mamoru?!
Tsun-dere!
Teheh! So cute, Maria
Maria!
Well... I guess you tried hard in your own way?

S-Sorry...
And what the hell is with this peel?! You have to remove the white parts, too!

Ma-ria!
BEAM
Well... thanks though.


it's not like I don't like that about you...
But...
You never know what to do, do you?
Y-Yup.
Change the channel on Earthside TV, I want to watch Saki!

Tsun-dere. So damn annoy-ing...
Ma-riaaa!!
LUV
LUV
NEXT VOLUME, THE DRAMATIC FINALE!


The Hunters and the Hunted.
At the end of a conflict where traps
and devious plans admit no limits,
Saki and the others discover the truth
about the Fiend.
And then, in a world about to face
a twilight of the gods, the ultimate lie is
unveiled. Beholding
its vile countenance,
mankind trembles at
the weight of its
own sins.
A volume that
will overturn
everything—the
final volume.
FROM THE new WORLD
7
Coming This Winter!

From the New World Volume 6

KODANSHA COMICS Digital Edition

STORY BY Yusuke Kishi, ART BY Toru Oikawa

From the New World copyright © 2014 Yusuke Kishi, Toru Oikawa
English translation copyright © 2016 Yusuke Kishi, Toru Oikawa

All rights reserved.

First published in Japan in 2014 by Kodansha Ltd., Tokyo.
Electronic Publishing rights for this English edition arranged through Kodansha Ltd., Tokyo.

No portion of this book may be reproduced or transmitted in any form or by any means without written permission from the copyright holders.

English digital edition published by Kodansha Advanced Media, LLC, San Francisco.

www.kodanshacomics.com

ISBN: 978-1-68233-236-8

Digital Edition: 1.0.0